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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant

L. DUMOUTIER, et al.

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For

ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES WHICH

ENCODE T CELL INDUCIBLE FACTORS (TIFs), THE

PROTEINS ENCODED, AND USES THEREOF

Art Unit

1644

Examiner

Amy Decloux

September 19, 2002

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

## SHOWING OF CHANGES

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 12, lines 1-7:

The nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO: 7), is [1121] 1119 bases long, including a 537 base pair open reading frame, which encodes a protein 179 amino acids long. The predicted molecular weight of the protein is 20,093. There are two additional ATG codons which, if they acted as start codons, would produce proteins 172 and 167 amino acids in length, with molecular weights of 19,335 and 18,770 daltons, respectively. Each form of the protein is characterized by a sequence of hydrophobic amino acids which would be cleaved off of the molecule via the endoplasmic reticulum to provide a mature protein.